

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1012

By Farmer

A RESOLUTION to commend Katie Thomas for exemplary service as a legislative intern.

WHEREAS, each legislative session, this General Assembly is pleased to recognize certain persons who have committed themselves, through their adroit service, to the betterment of the legislative process; and

WHEREAS, Katie Thomas is one such individual, who has distinguished herself in her role as a legislative intern for Representative Andrew Farmer; Ms. Thomas's work has resulted in innumerable benefits for Chairman Farmer on the House Civil Justice Committee and Chairman Mike Carter on the House Civil Justice Subcommittee; and

WHEREAS, the daughter of Kevin O'Connell and Cheryl Thomas-O'Connell, Katie Thomas is a student at Tennessee Technological University, where she is highly regarded by her peers and will soon achieve academic success by graduating *summa cum laude* with her Bachelor of Science degree in Political Science; and

WHEREAS, during her time at Tennessee Tech, Ms. Thomas has held leadership positions in Young Americans for Liberty, Model United Nations, and Pi Sigma Alpha; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to awards and accolades, Katie Thomas made the Tennessee Tech Dean's List during all eight semesters of her undergraduate career; and

WHEREAS, eager to familiarize herself with the characteristics and complexities of Tennessee state government and to further her studies, Ms. Thomas brought her many abilities and singular expertise to Capitol Hill for the 2018 session of the One Hundred Tenth General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, throughout the 2018 legislative session, she has surpassed all criteria that define a devoted and conscientious legislative intern; and

WHEREAS, Katie Thomas has performed her many duties with extraordinary insight and rare decorum; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED TENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby commend Katie Thomas for outstanding service as a legislative intern for Representative Andrew Farmer and extend to her our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.